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SUBJ: ENVIROMENTAL AGREEMENT; SOVDEL VISIT ON RIVER BASIN
MODELING

1. SOVDEL VISITED US SEPTEMBER 26 - OCTOBER 9 FOR DISCUSSION
AND AGREEMENT ON A WORK PLAN FOR FUTURE COOPERATION. ENGLISH
AND RUSSIAN VERSIONS OF MEETING'S "FINAL REPORT" BEING
POUCHED. OF NOTE IS US PROPOSAL, ACCEPTED BY SOVIETS, TO
MODEL EACH OTHER'S RIVERS AS COMPARATIVE TEST OF RESPEC-
TIVE SYSTEMS AND ASSUMPTIONS.

2. SOVDEL HEADED BY V.R. LOZANSKIY, DIRECTOR OF THE ALL-
UNION SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTION ON WATER PROTECTION
(VNIIVO) LOCATED AT KHARKOV. ACCOMPANYING HIM WERE Y.V.
YEREMENKO, LEADER OF THE HYDRAULICS LABORATORY, VNIIVO, AND
V.B. STRADOMSKIY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE HYDROCHEMICAL
INSTITUTE AT NOVOCHERKASSK. A FOURTH DELEGATE, YA. F.
ROVINSKIY, CANCELLED AT THE LAST MOMENT. US SIDE WAS HEAD
BY MARK PISANO, DIRECTOR, WATER PLANING DIVISION, EPA
HEADQUARTERS.

3. MEETINGS WERE HELD IN PHILDELPHIA AREA 10/17-21, WITH
FULL DAY AT DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION. 10/21-23 WERE
SPENT AT EPA'S LABORATORIES IN CINCINNATI, AND LOCAL TREAT-
MENT FACILITIES. 10/24-29 WERE SPENT IN WASHINGTON AT EPA
HEADQUARTERS DISCUSSING THE WORK PLAN AND CERTAIN ASPECTS OF
THE MODELING PROCESS. FINALLY, THE GROUP WENT TO NEW YORK
ON THE 29TH FOR VISITS TO LOCAL FACILITIES AND SOME SIGHT-

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SEEING. THE TENOR OF THE EXCHANGES THROUGHOUT WAS
EXCELLENT. THE SOVIET SIDE WAS WELL PREPARED FOR ITS MISSION,
AND THE DISCUSSIONS WERE DIRECT AND PRODUCTIVE.

4. ALL SOVDELS TO EPA HAVE FAILED TO MAKE OWN RETURN
RESERVATIONS. AEROFLOT INDICATED INABILITY TO CARRY THIS
SOVDEL ON 10/24, BUT SOVIET EMBASSY INTERCEDED AFTER
ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE FOR RETURN VIA PARIS ON TWA
AND AIR FRANCE. REQUEST EMBASSY INDICATE TO HYDROMET THE
NECESSITY FOR SOVDELS TO HAVE CONFIRMED RETURN RESERVATIONS
TYPED ON TICKETS PRIOR TO DEPARTING USSR.

5. REQUEST EMBASSY ASK HYDROMET TO FOLLOW UP CAHILL LETTER
OF 8/24 TRANSMITTED VIA EMBASSY TO YAKOVLEV CONCERNING
VISIT TO USSR IN DECEMBER ON PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF
DISCHARGES. KISSINGER

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